

Southwestern Institute for the  
Education of Native Americans

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## **Early Childhood Care & Family Development Conference August 12 – 13, 2011**

**Embassy Suites Tucson – Paloma Village  
3110 E. Skyline Drive  
Tucson, Arizona 85718  
520-352-4000**

### **Call for Proposals**

I would like to invite you to submit a proposal for one or more speaking opportunities for SIENA's 4th annual *Early Childhood Care & Family Development Conference*. Below you will find information that will help you in developing a proposal. An application form follows. Meal packages are available to speakers for \$30 each day (see page 4).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Nadine Groenig  
Executive Director

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**Conference goal:** The goal of the Early Childhood Care & Family Development Conference is to provide pertinent information via presentations and interactive workshops for parents of American Indian children. These offerings are designed to heighten awareness of ways in which parents can better prepare their children for the educational and social challenges in life. Emphasis will be placed on behavior, coping skills, peer relations, health, and community. Workshop goals are to empower parents to advocate for their children throughout the educational process.

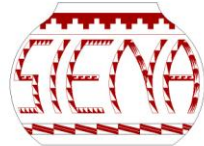
**Audience:** Parents of American Indian or Alaskan Native children, program administrators, community advocacy group representatives, and anyone interested in improving the lives of Native American youth and their families.

### **Workshop/Panel Discussion Topics** (subject to change):

- The importance of being an engaged parent, especially at the early stages of childhood.
- Substance abuse, alcohol abuse, and drop-out prevention.
- Using the arts to help your children learn.
- The prevention of childhood obesity.
- Special education training for parents.
- What federal programs can do to help parents.
- Parental involvement ideas.

**New this year!** Parent Resources and Networking Fair & Reception

For questions about **proposals**, please contact Conference Co-Chair, Mary Lynne Lasure, at [MaryLynne@SIENA-AZ.org](mailto:MaryLynne@SIENA-AZ.org) or 480-570-0005. For questions about the **conference**, please contact Nadine Groenig at [Nadine@SIENA-AZ.org](mailto:Nadine@SIENA-AZ.org) or 623-670-3561.



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# Proposal Form

Please complete the following. Expand text boxes as needed.

Please note: Workshop and panel discussions are 90-minute sessions that are presented twice.

## Contact Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

## Topic Title

(as\_you wish it to appear in the program)

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**Name(s) of Presenter(s) and Qualifications and/or Degrees**

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### **Workshop Abstract**

*Please provide an abstract of your presentation. Should there be more than one presenter, please indicate who will be responsible for each section of the presentation.*

### **Presenter Biography**

*Attach additional biographies if needed.*

### **Handouts**

*Identify the written materials that you will provide as handouts to enhance your presentation. If they are already prepared, please include a copy.*

### Duration of Workshop

Standard workshop time is 90 minutes. Indicate preferred duration, if other than that: \_\_\_\_\_

### Audiovisuals

*Please specify the audiovisual equipment that you will require.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Overhead Projector

\_\_\_\_\_ Flip Charts

\_\_\_\_\_ TV/VCR

\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send a copy of your completed proposal and resumé via e-mail, fax, or mail to:**

E-mail: MaryLynne@SIENA-AZ.org

Fax: 602-542-3100 Attn: Nadine Groenig

Mail: SIENA, P.O. Box 33156, Phoenix, AZ 85067-3156

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: JUNE 17, 2011**

<b>Hotel Information:</b>	The Embassy Suites is offering rooms for \$99 single/double/triple occupancy. Call <b>520-352--4000</b> . Use code "ECC" when making your reservation. Reservations must be made by July 21, 2011. Rate is good 3 days prior and 3 days after conference.
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### **Early Childhood Care & Family Development Conference Meal Package Order Form**

Meal packages are available for \$30 per day (includes conference workshops/presentations).  
Meals include continental breakfast, lunch, and break stations.

#### **Order Form**

Name:			
Phone Number:			
# of meal packages:		X \$30 =	\$

*Make check payable to SIENA and mail with form by **August 1, 2011** to*

**SIENA  
P.O. Box 33156  
Phoenix, AZ 85067-3156**

*Thank you!*